



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

LASALLE TOWN HOUSES  
COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

Case No. 12-cv-13747  
Honorable Gershwin A. Drain

v.

CITY OF DETROIT, acting  
through its DETROIT WATER  
AND SEWERAGE DEPARTMENT,

Defendant.

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**ORDER SETTING DISCOVERY AND MOTION DEADLINES RELATIVE TO CLASS  
CERTIFICATION ISSUE AND SETTING HEARING DATE**

The parties appeared for a status conference on this date. On August 23, 2012, Plaintiffs filed a class action complaint alleging that Defendant, the City of Detroit, through its Water and Sewerage Department, has improperly charged Plaintiffs for water and sewerage utility services at commercial rates rather than residential rates. Plaintiffs currently include five entities which own cooperative residential dwellings or buildings with multiple residences. They seek class certification pursuant to Rule 23(a) and 23(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

In order to resolve this matter in an efficient manner, the Court adopts the parties' proposal set forth in their joint discovery plan, filed on November 26, 2012. Accordingly, this matter shall be divided into pre-certification and post-certification stages. Therefore, the following dates shall apply:

<b>PRE-CERTIFICATION SCHEDULING DEADLINES</b>	
Initial Disclosures required by Rule 26(a) due:	January 15, 2013
Pre-Certification Discovery cutoff:	March 31, 2013
Plaintiffs' Motion to Certify Class due:	April 30, 2013
Defendant's Response in Opposition due:	May 21, 2013
Plaintiffs' Reply in Support of Class Certification due:	June 4, 2013

Oral argument on Plaintiffs' Motion to Certify Class is set for June 18, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.

A status conference will also be held on June 18, 2013.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 16, 2013

/s/Gershwin A Drain  
 GERSHWIN A. DRAIN  
 United States District Judge

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Copies of this Order were served upon attorneys of record on January 16, 2013, by electronic and/or ordinary mail.

/s/ Tanya Bankston  
 Deputy Clerk